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Dear Professor Jeffreys-Jones:

Thank you for your kind invitation to Dr. Gates to submit a commentary/rejoinder/supplementary note to be published in your forthcoming book, Eternal Vigilance: A History of the CIA. Unfortunately, we will have to pass up this opportunity because figures on the demographic makeup of the Agency are still quite sensitive. I would like to assure you, however, that we continue to bring aboard highly qualified and bright officers with the academic background and experience requisite to a career in intelligence. It is just harder to locate, attract, and retain these officers because of the changing international climate, changes in the career aspirations of recent college graduates, and problems new with this generation such as dual career tracks for married couples.

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